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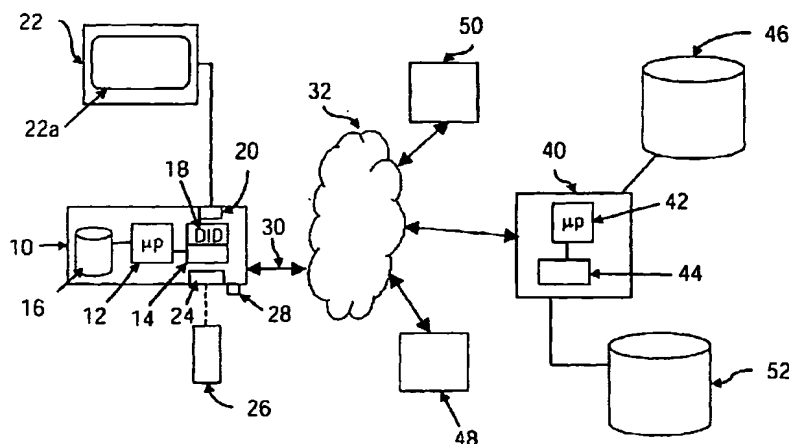
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(54) Title: SERVER SIDE CONFIGURATION MANAGEMENT



(57) Abstract: A method and system for managing differing software configurations of Consumer Electronic (CE) devices (10) having a unique identifier (18) and network communication means (30) is described. Software options (60, 78) for types of CE device are stored in a software configuration database (46) comprising individual configuration records (70) for each identified CE device (10). The identifier (18) enables a configuration server (40) to look up that devices associated configuration record (70) and installable software options, and provide such options for download to a user's device. The server maintains the record according to user choices, and furthermore upgrades, restores or rolls back software configurations for the CE device(s) according to error detection and/or user preference.